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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRD, MTN

SUBJECT: AMENDMENTS TO AND CLARIFICATION OF U.S. MTN
REQUEST ON AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS: EC

1. AMENDMENTS

A. NEW REQUEST

TYPE OF REQUEST: NTM;
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TARIFF NUMBER: 03.01BIM2BB;

DESCRIPTION: MACKEREL: WHOLE, HEADLESS OR IN PIECES,
FROM 16 JUNE TO 14 FEB., FROZEN;

TYPE OF NTM: MINIMUM IMPORT PRICE.

REQUESTED ACTION: REDUCE AND BIND MINIMUM IMPORT PRICE.

COMMENT: THE MINIMUM IMPORT PRICE FOR 1978 IS 1.96 U.A./M.T.
WE ARE REQUESTING A 20 PERCENT DECREASE TO 1.56 U;A./M.T.

STATISTICAL DATA: TOTAL EC IMPORTS 1975: 1.2 MILLION
DOLLARS; EC IMPOR;S FROM U.S.: NEGLIGIBLE.

BACKGROUND: ORIGINAL U.S. REQUEST LIST INCLUDED A TARIFF
REQUEST FOR THIS ITEM. THE NTM REQUEST SHOULD BE ADDED
BECAUSE WITHOUT A REDUCTION IN THE REFERENCE PRICE THE
REDUCED TARIFF WILL BE OF LITTLE VALUE.

B. NEW REQUEST

TYPE OF REQUEST: NTM

TARIFF NUMBER 03.01AII

DESCRIPTION: EELS, FRESH, CHILLED OR FROZEN

TYPE OF NTM: IMPORT QUOTA.

ACTION REQUESTED: INCREASE QUOTA. FYI: WE ARE PARTICU-
LARLY INTERESTED IN AN EXPANSION OF THE QUOTA ALLOTTED TO
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BELGIUM, NETHERLANDS, DENMARK AND ITALY. END FYI.

COMMENT: IN 1975, THE QUOTA WAS 6150 M.T.

STATISTICAL DATA: TOTAL EC IMPORTS 1975: 13.5 MILLION
DOLLARS.

IMPORTS FROM U.S. 1975: 3.0 MILLION DOLLARS

U.S. SUPPLIER POSITION 1975: FIRST.

BACKGROUND: ORIGINAL U.S. REQUEST LIST INCLUDED A TARIFF
REQUEST FOR THIS ITEM. THIS NTM REQUEST SHOULD BE ADDED
BECAUSE WITHOUT AN INCREASE IN THE QUOTA THE REDUCED
TARIFF WILL BE OF LITTLE VALUE.

C. NEW REQUEST

TYPE OF REQUEST: NTM

TARIFF NUMBER: 03.03BIVALAA

DESCRIPTION: SQUID: OMMASTREPHOS SAGITTATUS AND
LOLIGO, S.P.P.

TYPE OF NTM: MINIMUM IMPORT PRICE.

REQUESTED ACTION: REDUCTION AND BINDING OF MINIMUM IMPORT
PRICE.

COMMENT: THE MINIMUM IMPORT PRICE FOR 1978 IS 1227 U.A./
M.T.

WE ARE REQUESTING A REDUCTION OF 20 PERCENT TO 981 U.A./
M.T.

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STATISTICAL DATA: IN 1974 THE EC IMPORTED OVER 11
MILLION DOLLARS OF SQUID (ALL TYPES). THE U.S. WAS NOT
ONE OF THE PRINCIPAL SUPPLIERS, BUT WITH INCREASED FISH-
ING ZONES AND MORE ADVANCED FISHING AND REFRIGERATING
TECHNIQUES, THE U.S. WILL BE IN A POSITION TO TAKE AD-
VANTAGE OF THE SIZEABLE MARKET FOR SQUID IN THE EC.

BACKGROUND: ORIGINAL U.S. REQUEST LIST INCLUDED A TARIFF
REQUEST FOR THIS ITEM. THE NTM REQUEST SHOULD BE ADDED
BECAUSE WITHOUT REDUCING AND BINDING THE REFERENCE PRICE
THE REDUCED TARIFF WILL BE OF LITTLE VALUE. AS A RESULT
OF THE EXTENDED FISHING ZONE, THE U.S. CONTROLS SIZEABLE
RESOURCES OF SQUID. SQUID HAS A NEGLIGIBLE MARKET IN THE
U.S. BUT HAS MARKET POTENTIAL IN THE EC. THE POTENTIAL
MARKET IN THE EC IS ESTIMATED AT LEAST 30,000 M.T., VALUED
AT OVER 100 MILLION DOLLARS. JAPAN, THE MAJOR SUPPLIER,
CANNOT CONTINUE TO SUPPLY EXPORT MARKETS BECAUSE OF EX-
TENDED FISHERY ZONES OF OTHER COUNTRIES. THIS APPLIES
ESPECIALLY TO THE U.S. FISHING ZONE WHERE JAPAN HAS BEEN
FISHING SQUID FOR EXPORT MARKETS.

D. NEW REQUEST

TYPE OF REQUEST: TAR/NTM

DESCRIPTION: SQUID, FROZEN, OTHER THAN OMMASTREPHOS
SAGITTATUS AND LOLIGO S.P.P.

CURRENT DUTY: 8 PERCENT.

REQUESTED DUTY: 3.2 PERCENT.

TYPE OF NTM: MINIMUM IMPORT PRICE OF 1227 U.A./M.T.
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ACTION REQUESTED REDUCE MINIMUM IMPORT PRICE TO 981 U.A./
M.T. AND BIND.

STATISTICAL DATA: SEE REQUEST FOR SQUID, OMMASTREPHOS
SAGITTATUS AND LOLIGO S.P.P.

BACKGROUND: SEE REQUEST FOR SQUID, OMMASTREPHOS SAGITTA-
TUS AND LOLIGO S.P.P.

E. NEW REQUEST

TYPE OF REQUEST: TAR/NTM

TARIFF NUMBER: EX 03.01BIQ

DESCRIPTION: SALTWATER FISH, OTHER (EX. FROZEN HAKE,
WHOLE, HEADLESS OR IN PIECES):

CURRENT DUTY: 15 PERCENT

REQUESTED DUTY: 6.0 PERCENT

TYPE OF NTM: MINIMUM IMPORT PRICE OF 380 U.A./M.T.

ACTION REQUESTED: REDUCE MINIMUM IMPORT PRICE TO 304
U.A./M.T. AND BIND.

STATISTICAL DATA: TOTAL EC IMPORTS IN 1975, 13.0 MILLION
DOLLARS, EC IMPORTS FROM U.S. IN 1975, 0.3 MILLION DOLLARS.

BACKGROUND: BECAUSE THE U.S. FISHING JURISDICTION HAS
BEEN EXTENDED TO 200 MILES FROM 12 MILES, THE FUTURE U.S.
TRADE POSITION WILL BE SIGNIFICANTLY BETTER THAN IT
APPEARS FROM SIMPLY PROJECTING HISTORICAL FIGURES. DUE
TO CONFUSION IN TERMINOLOGY THE ORIGINAL U.S. REQUEST
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LIST INCLUDED A REQUEST FOR WHITING (MERLANGUS, MERLANGUS)
INSTEAD OF ONE FOR HAKE, WHICH IN THE U.S. IS CONSIDERED
A TYPE OF WHITING.

2. REQUEST WITHDRAWAL

TYPE OF REQUEST: TARIFF

TARIFF NUMBER 03.01B.I.L2.

DESCRIPTION: WHITING (MERLANGUS, MERLANGUS.)

BACKGROUND: SEE ABOVE. CHRISTOPHER

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